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Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2000. This extension will extend the time the response is due from November 2, 2000 to February 2, 2001.

- A three-month extension is requested; the extension fee is \$890.00.
- A check in the amount of \$890.00 is attached.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. 229752000700.

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Respectfully submitted,

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